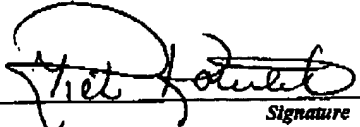



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| Applicant(s): <b>Mark R. Bilak</b>   |                                     |                                   |  |                               |                                      |  |
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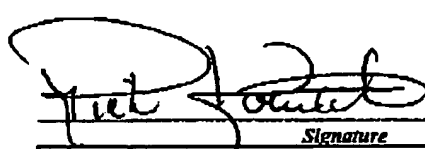
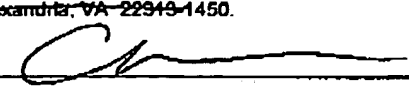
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